Hello and welcome to the City of Troy website. Stay awhile, look around, and find out what the Collar City has to offer.

This is my first updates message since taking seat of mayor 50 days ago. It has been a fast six weeks, there is no doubt about that. My goal in the next few months is to have this website up and running by keeping it updated so that it may become a tool residents and visitors alike can utilize.

I want to contribute to the website growth by having weekly mayoral updates. Beginning this week, it is my goal to have a new message up and running each Thursday afternoon. What exactly this message will say each week is unclear, so suggestions from those reading is certainly welcome.

For now we'll stick to encouraging people to get out and live Troy. This weekend we have two big hockey games at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The battle for first place in the ECAC is underway and the better RPI plays, the more attention there is on Troy. Attention is a good thing. Head up to the Houston Field House and support the Engineers.

If hockey is not your thing, don't forget the Winter Farmers Market will take place this, and every Saturday, inside of the Atrium from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Troy Savings Bank also has two interesting shows this weekend. Saturday night is Sharon Isbin Guitar at 8 p.m. and Sunday is Ladysmith Black Mambazo.

As usual don't forget about the Burgh. All day Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., is Casino Night at the Lansingburgh Vets Club. The proceeds from this event will benefit the victims of the fires we have had recently in the City.

That's about it for this week, but I encourage everyone to e-mail me at mayorsoffice.troyny.org and relate any suggestions you may have for this space. I also encourage anyone with questions, problems, or concerns to call City Hall and we will have it addressed.

Until next week, stay warm, Spring is on its way.

Mayor Harry J Tutunjian